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My name is Carolyn S. Horton my address is 131 Hansen Road

My family and I have lived in Norwich siunce the 1970 and on Hansen Rd since 1983. We have seen a growth of houses on the entire right side of Hansen Rd. Prior to our building our home there was only one other house on the right side of Hansen Rd

As a neighbor whose property is directly behind the development I have a direct personal interest in how this is decided.

I am not against growth or improvement, especially in Norwich and the surrounding areas but please note during the past 25 years with the growth of the house there has not been any improvement to the road in any way shape or form. There has been a need to fix the curves and width of Hansen Rd over the past 25 years but the only fixes "that have occurred have been the paving or covering of the same bumps that have been there

and hasn't fixed the underlining problems of space and safety of traffic.

The traffic has continued to increase with the number of homes that have been built and I know our taxes have always gone up. Now Tom Abele and what was A&M Enterprises and Now new developer .. want to increase more traffic on an already bad situation that hasn't been fixed for 25 years. I think that is a bad situation to increase more traffic and have these what was 25 units approx 50 more vehicles now to 185 units with at the minimum of 2 vehicles per 185 maybe 370 vehicles or even buses going in and out of the Hansen Rd right of way.

From a historic perspective I knew Fran Wilcox and she would not want this

I believe that one of the reasons that Hansen Rd right of way was chosen, was so more lots could be sold with a reduced square foot needed per unit. Since if they made a right of way through Scotland Road then the minimum acres needed would be greater and less lots and less money to exchange hands.

If this project is going to go ahead and I firmly believe that it probably will because of political pressure and back door agreements even with the potentially dangerous contaminants in the ground and safety issues. There were contaminants five years ago from the Saw mill and recent use of Automotive usage. I believe they just covered them up.

Are we going to add sidewalks to help safety?

I am emphatically against this project in this area and will continue to stress my opinion until no other avenues are available.

Why weren't neighbors asked to purchase some lots before going to another developer?

Some other information I want to share is that William Stanley also known as Bill Stanley of 17 Meadow Lane in Norwich has informed me that I may speak on his behalf to inform the Wetland Commission that he approached the Developer of this property and informed him that he Mr Stanley has land in Norwich with sewers and already approved land near St Judes

Common on Mytle Ave in Norwich. When Mr Stanley tried to discuss this already approved and available land he the developer said he had to much invested in the land on Hansen /Scotland road and wouldn't even consider another option. He basically, dismissed Mr Stanley.

Then Mr Stanley tried to contact our Mayor Lathrop to discuss this alternative option and he also informed Mr Stanley that he did not have time to discuss or would discuss other options.

Now Here is another EXAMPLE of prime land in prime location dismissed out of hand and No ONE Except Mr Stanley would or is willing to look at it.

I understand from Mr Stanley that this land has already been approved for Development and could begin immediately.

This needs to be investigated for options and would eliminate this project from the current proposal and then allow the developer to build his condos if they are really needed and he wants to build the condos in an already approved area without

having to jeopardized the "RURAL" areas of Hansen Rd and Scotland road areas.

My last comments are questions are:

If you approve this then someone will need to answer why not wait and check into an already approved location if not WHY NOT

And my Final question Why secrecy? Through the majority of this process

And who is really behind the political practices through this whole process?

Signed

Carolyn S. Horton